

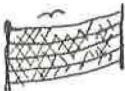


Mrs. E.R. Nichols writes, "I had a wonderful experience with a Warbling Vireo nestling which I found injured after a storm on June 9, 1968 at our island in the St. Lawrence River, New York. After being released a month later the vireo would call for food or I could call it from any part of the island for a feeding or just to check on it.

By the middle of August I was a little concerned that it was too dependent upon me and I began to ignore calls and limited the feedings to once or twice a day... It will be interesting to see if it will come back to its birthplace next summer."



EBBA member Irving Feist has recently become President of the Boy Scouts of America. Congratulations... Mr. Feist also sets a good example in that, although he discontinued banding some years ago, he has continued his Sustaining Membership in EBBA.



Up to March 1, 173 EBBA Annual Banding Reports have been received (including eight negative reports). This is a good beginning - but we are inclined to thank that many more of EBBA's nearly 700 members have bandings to report. Although the published deadline of March 1 has passed, reports can still be accepted - so if you have not sent yours in, do so right away! Send the Editor a card if you need an extra report form.



Mrs. Boletta J. Morris sent a note with her report of 92 birds banded: "Each bird represents a lecture on birds given to school or adult groups. I try to concentrate on the hearty Bluejays and Grackles for trapping purposes... This is my project. My bird count is low but a very high count, in the hundreds, would be the 'people count'".



Co-Editor Frank Frazier Sr. and Mrs. Frazier returned recently from a month in Florida, birding and photographing in the Everglades and the Keys...and this issues goes to the printer on the way to the airport as they begin a cruise from Puerto Rico to Tobago armed with books on seabirds and tropical birds.



Publication Committee Chairman Bob Pyle plans to begin compilation of the Annual Banding Report, but help will be needed - anyone who enjoys this type of work, do let us hear from you!



Each year we look forward to the Annual Meeting, now just a month away, to meet old friends - and new ones - and get your ideas, suggestions and criticisms about EBBA News. Every member should make every effort to come, and don't hesitate to bend the Editor's ear.



Deadline for the next issue is May 1 - we are always in need of good material, and photographs and drawings add much and are always welcome.